

Amendment and Response

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For: METHOD AND MATERIALS FOR PATTERNING OF AN AMORPHOUS, NON-POLYMERIC, ORGANIC MATRIX WITH ELECTRICALLY ACTIVE MATERIALS DISPOSED THEREIN

Remarks

The Office Action mailed 5 August 2004 has been received and reviewed. Claims 1, 8, 16, 21, and 25 having been amended, claims 5 and 19 having been canceled, and claims 26-28 having been added, the pending claims are claims 1-4, 6-18, and 20-28. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 16, and 25 have been amended to incorporate the language from dependent claims 5 and 19 (now canceled). Claims 8 and 21 have been rewritten in independent form.

New claim 26 is supported, for example, by originally filed claim 7. New claim 27 is supported, for example, by originally filed claims 7 and 20. New claim 28 is supported, for example, by originally filed claims 7 and 25.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102/103

The Examiner rejected claims 1-4, 6-7, 9-18, 20, and 22-25 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by or, in the alternative, under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as obvious over EP 0 851 714 (Kwon et al.).

Claims 1, 16, and 25 having been amended to incorporate the language of allowable dependent claims 5 and 19 (now canceled), Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection has been rendered moot. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Allowed Claims

Applicants thank the Examiner for notification to the effect that claims 5, 8, 19, and 21 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. As such, the language of claims 5 and 19 has been incorporated into independent claims 1, 16, and 25; and claims 8 and 21 have been rewritten in independent form. Thus, Applicants respectfully request that claims 1-4, 6-18, and 20-25 be passed on to allowance.

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New Claims

New claim 26 incorporates language from originally filed claims 1, 6, and 7, except that one of the chemical structures listed in claim 7 has been deleted. New claim 27 incorporates language from originally filed claims 7, 16, and 20, except that one of the chemical structures listed in claim 7 has been deleted. New claim 28 incorporates language from originally filed claims 7 and 25, except that one of the chemical structures listed in claim 7 has been deleted.

Applicants respectfully submit that new claims 26-28, which do not recite compound 11 disclosed on page 13 of Kwon et al., are allowable over the cited art for reasons similar to the reasons for the allowability of claims 1-4, 6-18, and 20-25.

Entry and consideration of new claims 26-28 are respectfully requested.

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It is respectfully submitted that all the pending claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives, at the below-listed telephone number, if it is believed that prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

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